

Presidents Report to the Board of Trustees - First Unitarian Society of New Jersey

April 10th, 2021

This one will be brief, since it's been a hectic in-between month for me.

We are matching towards our annual meeting already, and things are proceeding apace.

I've reached out to the nominating committee to ask for potential Board Members for the slate for the annual meeting. I am welcoming the participation of fellow Board Members in identifying and approaching members who might be willing to serve.

I've struggled to get Slack messages up and running on my phone, but have got it going now. The question now becomes what to talk about...

Some ideas: (I'm open to more!)

1. Reaching out to those who have drifted away in this past year, and inviting them back.
2. Setting achievable goals in terms of marketing and growth.
 - a. Some ideas - A Zoom "open house."
 - b. Reactivating our social media and marketing group.

I've continued to be involved in the following committees/groups:

Small-group Ministry meetings - Conducted Monday night meetings twice this month. (Second and Fourth Mon)

8th Principle Working Group

- Attended monthly meetings for this group.
- Planned and co-lead 8th Principle worship service.

Atheist Agnostic Humanist Group - Continue to coordinate online meetings and have begun attending virtual "Sunday Brunch" meetings of the New York Center for Inquiry

(CFI).

Maintained ongoing communication with Rev. Ann Marie on Board/Church matters.

Moving forward, I expect to:

- Continue to attend groups and committees as above.
- Work to identify future board members and also define other stewardships in the congregation.
- Work with Board members to form small task groups to manage.
 - Membership - Outreach and Welcome
 - Social Media
- Work to plan a congregational meeting to vote on our 8th Principle Resolution.

Thank you, as always for your service and dedication to our congregation!

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